LAKE OUINSIGAMOND COMMISSION

Wednesday, May 28, 2003 minutes Shrewsbury, Municipal Town Hall

Present: Chairperson Chief A. Wayne Sampson; Cpt. Ashe; Nicholas Pepper;

John Wilson; Michael Paika; Kenneth Polito; Arthur LeDoux:

Absent: Melvin Gordon; Tristan Lundgren

Meeting convened at 7:04 p.m

Approval of minutes-April 29, 2003 seconded by M.Paika, unanimous accepted

Treasurer report: No outstanding bills

Commissioner reports:

Cpt.Ashe: Worcester boat is operational. Working on a complaint basis, the Worcester Traffic Division telephone number 508 799-8674.

b. N. Lake Avenue docks –Viewed area and took photos. The portfolio is being circulated to all commissioners.

K.Polito: No report M.Gordan: Absent

A.Ledoux: Illegal dumping on North Lake Avenue, asking residents to keep watch and report to Worcester Department of Public Works.

J.Wilson: No report M.Paika: Water is turbid

b .Boaters to be aware of shallow areas

c. Increase of docks fees –This commission strongly supported a needed proactive approach to maintain future improvements of the lake.

Chief Sampson - the plans for environmental clean up is to assure the public 100% of these funds go back into lake improvements.

T.Lundgren: Absent N.Pepper: No report

Chief Sampson: Finances- currently \$11,300 LQC account,

\$17,000 dock fees 2003 \$25,000 grant acct

total \$53,000

Owe \$48,700 to F&D Truck contract, remaining \$4,300 for weed control

Nancy Allen met with Lycott Engineering, plans on second weed treatment for the south end, (route 20 area and north of Sunset Beach) which will cost \$20,000 and strongly recommends. Need additional monies and suggestions. Gifts and raffling was suggested. N.Pepper will follow up, regarding "Donation of a boat and raffling "-proceeds will directly go to Lake Quinsigamond weed control program.

Representative from Pt.Rocke Association was pleased with the outcome from Lycotts treatment last year and considering to join forces with LQC and donating \$2,000 providing: 1. First approval by Board of Trustees and 2. Several dock and shore areas that abuts property should be included.

Chief Sampson-Correspondence received:

- a. M.Gordon letter re:dock renewal
- b. April newsletter Lake Quinsigamond Watershed Association
- c. May 5th Worcester Conservation Commission agenda
- d. May 7th St.John's crew re: graduation dates of schools involved in N.E. Interscholastic Rowing Assoc. Championships
- e. May 7th requesting ethics opinion re: accepting donation of a boat then raffling to raise funds
- f. May 8th letter from David M. Moore City Solicitor, attached-legal opinion from City of Worcester re: Lake Ave North Dock permits "In the public interest for the commission to require any such property owner seeking a dock permit from the commission to present title information demonstrating their access rights to the lake.."

Chief Sampson noted some residents will need several months to research their title and concerned about this years distribution of permits.

Discussion followed- issues ranged from granting of grace periods; docks that have renewed yearly but live elsewhere; and others who maintain docks but without legal deeded rights.

Chief Sampson- compromise- Issuing of new dock permits must follow legal opinion received from City of Worcester. Dock renewals we have received this year will be granted however, it is your responsibility to provide this commission with written documentation or copy of title demonstrating access rights.

Tree removal on Squam Beach. Caution –could cause erosion. This should be brought before Conservation Commission.

- g. Received letter form Rep. Karyn Polito regarding deteriorating conditions of Corazzini boat ramp. Cost for repair and improvements are estimated over \$100,000 and no necessary funding at this time
- h. Support letters sent to Rep. Glodis and Polito re: House Bill #2289 on jet skiis. The bill gives authorities the option of restricting access to jet skiis to bodies of water. Jet skiis are not banned at this time. Policing of the waters are done with continuing efforts from the City of Worcester, Shrewsbury and Environmental Police. Please call if any problems arise and will be addressed immediately.

Chief Sampson: Coninuation of correspondence

- i. received e-mail May 14th Cpt Ashe re: N.Lake Ave j. "letter May 15th Power Squadron- inspections
- letter May 15th support-police boat k. "
- 1. Shrewsbury Town meeting appropriated \$185,000 to build a new boat house. Conservation Commission application process is in effect as well as DEP which has an 270 day application process.
 - m. received May 19th Worcester Conservation Commission agenda
 - n. copy letter from P.Diggins, Rowing Association
 - o.meeting re: Norton Way- watercraft parked in waterways
 - p. received new dock applications

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion of event fees. Suggested to table until next month

NEW BUSINESS

Agenda items must be received before this commission 48 hours prior meeting by contacting any commissioner or calling Cpt Ashe or Chief Sampson. Telephone numbers will be on the web page. Worcester Police- 799-8674 and Shrewsbury Police- 841-8577

Next meeting to be scheduled for Wednesday, June 25th, 7:00pm in the Selectmens room Motion to adjourn, seconded at 7:55pm

Respectfully submitted, K.Hemmerdinger